

#### REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Re-examination and favorable reconsideration in light of the above amendments and the following comments are respectfully solicited.

By the present amendment, claims 6 and 14 have been amended to be in independent form. Further, claims 1, 10 - 13, and 19 have been cancelled without prejudice; claims 2 - 4, 7 - 9 and 20 - 22 have been amended to depend from claim 6; and claim 15 has been amended to depend from claim 14.

In the Board decision dated July 20, 2009, the Board sustained the rejection of claims 1 - 5, 7 - 13, 15 - 17, and 20 - 22 and reversed the rejections of claims 6, 14, 18 and 19.

It is submitted that the amendments contained herein place claims 6 and 14 into allowable condition. With respect to claims 2 - 5, 7 - 9, 15 - 17 and 20 - 22, each of these claims depends directly or indirectly from an allowable claim. Thus, they are allowable.

For these reasons, the instant application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Such allowance is respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner believe an additional amendment is needed to place the case in condition for allowance, the Examiner is hereby invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

No fee is believed to be due as a result of this response. Should the Director determine that a fee is due, he is hereby authorized to charge said fee to Deposit Account No. 02-0184.

Application No. 10/720,948  
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Respectfully submitted,

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